

# NEW MARKET NEWS

January/February 2008

## Dates to remember:

- ♦ Recycling begins in Royal Oaks, Brinkley Manor & Orchard — Jan. 8
- ♦ Town Council meeting: Jan. 9 @ 7:00 at Town Hall
- ♦ Christmas Tree Pick-up Dates: January 12 & 19
- ♦ HDC/ARC meeting: Jan. 15 @ 7:30 pm, Town Hall
- ♦ P&Z Meeting: Feb. 7 @ 7:00 pm
- ♦ HDC/ARC meeting: Feb. 12 @ 7:30 pm
- ♦ Town Council meeting: Feb. 13 @ 7:00



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## MESSAGE FROM THE MAYOR

It's been long year and I haven't had as many opportunities to report to you as I would like to have had. However, we have been busy at work on projects that we expect to come to fruition in the New Year. I would like to thank each of the council members for their hard work this year. Rita and Dennis teamed up on the new picnic pavilions just completed in the community park. Jake has worked hard on coordinating with FCPS on Alley repairs. He was also instrumental in getting recycling for Royal Oaks and Brinkley Manor. He and Kathy Meyers (from HDC/ARC) also worked on LUCA. Mark and his wife Shannon have worked hard on renovating the upstairs at Town Hall. Shane has been diligently working on streetscape. He also spends a lot of time updating the website. I have been working with Shane in trying to get the Main Street waterlines coordinated with streetscape. I would also like to thank all the members of all the boards for their dedication to the town. P&Z had many extra workshops on the new zoning ordinance. HDC/ARC has been steady. The BOA had a difficult decision on the proposed coffee shop. Lastly, I would like to thank Karen and Deb. They have been the glue that has held all the boards together. They are doing a great job keeping everything organized.

We expect to execute a MOU with SHA for streetscape early during the New Year. Please see the Town's website as Shane will continue to keep everyone up to date with this project as we progress. Along with streetscape, we expect that the Main Street waterlines will go to bid in February. The Department of Utilities and Solid Waste

Management (DUSWM) thinks that we may receive some very favorable bids as contractors try to get work lined up for spring and summer in a very tough economy. The better the bids the more water lines we can run. The new zoning ordinance should be adopted in early 2008. It will expand upon the new uses in the HD that have brought many of the new shops and new spirit into town. It will also eliminate some of the bureaucracy from Town government. Lastly, we expect to reach a settlement agreement with Intercoastal Development Corp over the Adventure Park annexation. This will increase our annual revenues by as much as \$140,000.00. Given greater costs and services that we are expected to provide as well as the State and County budget problems, this will be a tremendous benefit for the Town. Further, it will create new synergies between the tourism oriented Main Street and the amusement park. Finally, we may begin establishing our own sense of place and economy. We must become more financially independent if this town is to survive in the long run. We can not depend on others for our well being as you will see below.

There will however be challenges in 2008. The County just recently released a new traffic study in relation to

the New Market Region Plan. The BOCC have removed almost all development except for Eaglehead. Along with this they have studied removing

many of the road improvements. This includes removing the New Market bypass from the plan. Remember the BOCC

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sent us a letter during the referendum promising to explore a non-developer funded bypass? The new study only considers the bridge in Eaglehead over Linganore Creek (developer funded), completion of Meadow Road interchange (SHA) and Town Center Connector in Eaglehead (developer funded). No bypass. This raises peak hour traffic volume by 180 vehicles per hour (VPH) in ten years. In fifteen years peak hour volume on Main Street will be 2,640 vph. That is a 990 vph increase. Our proposed annexations limited these conditions to less than this amount. Lastly, in twenty years Main Street traffic will actually exceed capacity (114%). As our engineer said, Main Street will fail to function. There will be bumper to bumper traffic during morning and evening rush hour. Think about that the next time you try to get out of your driveways or Royal Oaks



Drive in the morning. You may read the study online at [www.co.frederick.md.us/index.asp?NID=2554](http://www.co.frederick.md.us/index.asp?NID=2554). We need to develop a strategy for keeping the bypass on the plan. These plans typically establish what is to be done over the next 20 years. The new County study reinforces the Ijamsville Rd. Corridor Study that we used for our annexations. That is no development in the region can occur without a New Market bypass. We have repeatedly expressed this to the County Commissioners. In light of this new study, we will need to reiterate the message; else we will get stuck with a 20 year plan with no bypass. We might want to consider asking the County to require Land Stewards (Eaglehead developer) to fund the bypass in the Developers Rights and Development Agreement they are considering. The only problem with this will be getting property owners, such as the Casey's or the Blentlingers to give a road right of way for a bypass while the County has stripped them of their zoning. Essentially, the road could be placed into the plan with no realistic chance of being built. Thus, we could additionally ask that no Eaglehead building permits be let until road construction actually begins. Another alternative is that we could ask the BOCC to consider eliminating Eaglehead and develop the New Market bypass properties instead.

Whatever happens, 2008 will be another exciting year!

Happy New Year — Winslow

## TOWN COUNCIL

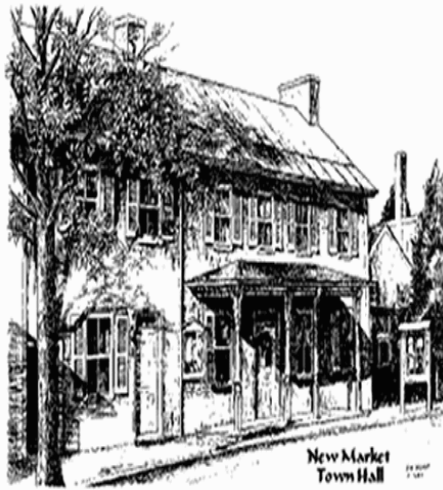
### October — December

- \* Councilman Rossman painted the curbs throughout Main Street and met with post office officials about the possibility of cluster mailboxes. At this time, the post office will not consider at this time as they do not have the manpower to service the cluster mailboxes.
- \* Councilman and Mrs. Timberlake completed the painting of the library and the stairway was modified by Councilman Kimble. Councilman Kimble met with engineers in November about structural concerns of the upstairs of Town Hall and its use as a library. Engineers from Wilson T. Ballard evaluated the upstairs and at the present they do not feel that the floor can support the load required for a library. Repairs to the building would be quite costly. Discussion was held on possibility of other locations for the library as well as other uses for the upstairs.
- \* Councilman Timberlake reported that the lights had been fixed at the community park and that hopefully this will deter any further problems.
- \* Councilman Romanell and Kathy Myers (HDC/ARC) verified addresses for the upcoming census. Councilman Romanell also met with the Mayor, BOE and SHA representatives about the repaving of Emory Alley, as well as continued efforts on obtaining recycling for Brinkley Manor and Royal Oaks.
- \* Councilwoman Mueller and Councilman Kimble oversaw the construction of the new park pavilion and gazebo (see page ?? For more info).
- \* The Mayor has continued to contact SHA and is working on setting up a meeting with SHA to discuss the MOU and the final streetscape plans.
- \* The Mayor worked with DUSWM to generate forms and letters needed for Wicomico Court and their water reclassification. (Letters and applications were sent out in early November). Eight total water reclassification requests were received by the Mayor and Council. Two were withdrawn before the Mayor and Council met on November 28. At that time they approved the reclassification on the six remaining applications form W5 to W3. The applications were then forwarded to the county and a hearing will be held on January 16 at the county.
- \* The Mayor read a paper submitted by Mike D'Ovidio on the Main Street Program. Mayor and the Council were both supportive of further exploration into the Main Street Program.
- \* Councilman Timberlake presented the "New Market Emergency Preparedness Plan" to the Mayor and Council. The plan is the overall concept plan and identifies the town's responsibilities in preparing for, mitigating, responding to, and recovering from an emergency. The plan will be adopted by resolution.
- \* A group of business owners requested that the business license fees be raised in order to provide funds to the town that would enable membership in various tourism centers around the state and to prepare a consolidated brochure. The Mayor and Council requested more information (letter stating how many in support, amount of tax, suggested uses for the increase). This will be presented in February.
- \* Discussion on the Peddler's License and the APFO will be postponed until January.
- \* Amendment to the Water/Sewer Tap Agreement with Seawright Homes was approved in December.
- \* The Mayor has again contacted to set up meeting to finalize the MOU and the Streetscape plans.
- \* The Mayor reported that the letter to residents of Wicomico Court and Royal Oak Drive went out. Eight total water reclassification requests were received by the Mayor and Council. Two were withdrawn before the Mayor and Council met on November 28. At that time they approved the reclassification on the six remaining applications form W5 to W3. The applications were then forwarded to the county and hearing will be held on January 16 at the county.

## PLANNING & ZONING

*September-November*

- \* Discussion on 100 Acre Woods, APFO and Heart of the Civil War Heritage.
- \* During October a motion was made to submit the draft of the APFO to the Town Council.
- \* Bruce Galloway will prepare the text amendment for the master plan.
- \* There was no meeting held in November due to a lack of quorum.
- \* Several public information sessions were held to discuss the proposed revised Zoning Ordinance.



## HDC

*September-November*

- \* Steve Seawright's shed design ap-

plication was approved as submitted.

- \* The Orchard's plan to put 6 foot vinyl clad chain link fence in the area around the storm ponds near the proposed ball fields was approved. The remainder of the storm pond area will be surrounded by a 3-rail split rail fence with wire mesh attached on the inside.
- \* The design matrix for the Orchard will modified to allow vinyl fencing in the homes that are designated as models by the builder.
- \* 33 W. Main — Replacement roof was approved.
- \* 54 W. Main — Renovation to the back of home was approved.
- \* 159 Wicomico Court — Shed was approved as submitted.

## *Snow & Ice Removal*

Winter weather and snow will soon be here. Please remember that Main Street is designated a "Snow Emergency Route". During a snow event please move your vehicle off Main Street to allow the plows to clear all the way to the curbs. The town has made arrangements with the Grange Hall (located on South Alley) to park in their lot until Main Street has been plowed. Please clear off your sidewalks in front of your property within 6 hours from the end of the snowfall or other precipitation, or if the snowfall or other precipitation occurred overnight, by 2:00 pm the following afternoon. If ice is not readily removable, sufficient calcium chloride or similar commercially available product shall be applied to effectively melt and remove the accumulation of ice.

## CHRISTMAS TREE PICK UP

**THE TOWN WILL BE OFFERING A TREE PICK UP ON THE FOLLOWING DATES: PUT TREES OUT TO THE CURB SUNDAY NIGHT FOR VERY EARLY MORNING PICK UP:**

**SATURDAY, JANUARY 12 AND  
SATURDAY, JANUARY 19\*\***

- \* **TREES MUST BE FREE OF DECORATIONS AND LIGHTS**
- \* **CUT IN HALF IF OVER 5 FEET IN LENGTH.**
- \* **NO PLASTIC BAGS**
- \* **NO TREE STAND**

**\*\*DATES WERE CHANGED BY KEY SANITATION DUE TO A CONFLICT IN SCHEDULING.**





## Christmas in New Market Celebration

Thank you to all of the volunteers, participants, and sponsors who helped to make Christmas in New Market 2007 a great event!

- \* Amy Gilley, Town Hall Coordinator, Planning Committee, SHA, Decorating, Props
- \* Bud Rossig E. Rossig's, 19<sup>th</sup> Century Cooking Demonstration and Santa Coordinator
- \* Laurie and David Dunshee, Spoil Me Rotten, Children's Treasure Hunt
- \* The New Market Carolers: Michael Dunshee, Julia Dunshee, Olivia Esterly, Sophia Esterly, Kelly Esterly, Mayor Winslow Burhans, Olivia D'Ovidio, and Rick Martinez
- \* Joan Price, Mrs. Claus
- \* Simpson Community Church, The Versatiles and Dessert Reception
- \* Grace Episcopal Church, Hosting The Catoctones
- \* Brian Geoghegan, Guitar and Vocalist, Town Hall
- \* Rick Martinez, Guitar and Vocalist, Town Hall
- \* Haley Tate, Planning and Treasurer
- \* Richard Stonebreaker, Planning, Sign Placement, Decorations
- \* Grange Liason, Decorating, Props
- \* The New Market Grange Members, Lamp Post Decorations, Food, Children's Crafts
- \* Kimberly and David Price, 12 West Main, Friday Night Reception
- \* David Price, Photography
- \* Steven Seawright, Seawright Homes
- \* Karen Durbin, Town Hall Decorations
- \* Sara England Graphic Design, Barefoot Boutique, Brochure and Postcard Design
- \* Ory Custom Florals, Messanelle Park Decorations
- \* New Market Lions Club, Town Hall Greeting and Serving Refreshments
- \* Linganore High School Chorus, Tree Lighting Carolers
- \* Cookie Donators
- \* New Marker Middle School Carolers
- \* DeDe Pucino and Middle School Students, Luminary Display Makers, Distribution and Clean up
- \* Corporate Digital, Frederick, Printing Brochures
- \* Olivia D'Ovidio, Luminary Lighting
- \* New Market Fire Department, Craft Show, Food, Luminary Lighting
- \* PNC Bank, Savings Bond Donations
- \* The Gazette
- \* The Frederick News Post
- \* Gaver Tree Farm, Town Hall Christmas Tree
- \* Frederick Landscaping, Roping Treatment for Lamp Posts
- \* The Strawberry Inn, Town Hall Reception
- \* Rick Fleshman, Fleshman's Antiques, Santa's Throne
- \* New Market Dealers Association, Advertising
- \* The Shops of New Market, Advertising
- \* Cable Channel 10
- \* Fastsigns, Frederick
- \* Shane Rossman, Posting Website Information
- \* The Little Pottery Shop, Carriage Rides



### *Enjoy the new Gazebo & Pavilion at the Community Park*

If you haven't seen it yet – both are standing and looking good! They don't only look good but will provide needed cover from the elements. The pavilion covers the tables and benches we had sitting in the open before. Now, a sudden down pour or the relentless exposure to the sun are not a problem, but will actually be enjoyable. Playground Specialists did a fantastic job erecting both buildings within a week just before Christmas.

Also many thanks to

the Program Open Space (POS) that has provided 75% of the cost for material and labor to this great addition to our Community Park.

Come, bring your lunch and relax. Pack snacks for your little ones when they take a break from playing on the swing set or the jungle gym. Don't forget to use the receptacles for your cans, bottles, and litter. Enjoy and Happy New Year!



# Town of New Market

## Good Neighbor Program



Last year the Mayor and Town Council implemented a Good Neighbor Program. This program is designed to help New Market residents who because of age, medical conditions, or other reasons are unable to clear their front walk of snow or ice. The program will match up individuals who need assistance and residents who want to help and serve their community. Volunteers will help out their neighbors by clearing the walk of those who are unable to. All those who are interested in signing up for assistance or to help, please submit the following the information to Town Hall via mail (Town of New Market, PO Box 27, New Market, MD 21774), email ([townofnewmarket@gmail.com](mailto:townofnewmarket@gmail.com)), or phone (301.865.5544).

*"Everyone can be great, because  
everyone can serve."  
Martin Luther King, Jr.*

### Volunteers

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Comments: \_\_\_\_\_

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### In Need of Assistance

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

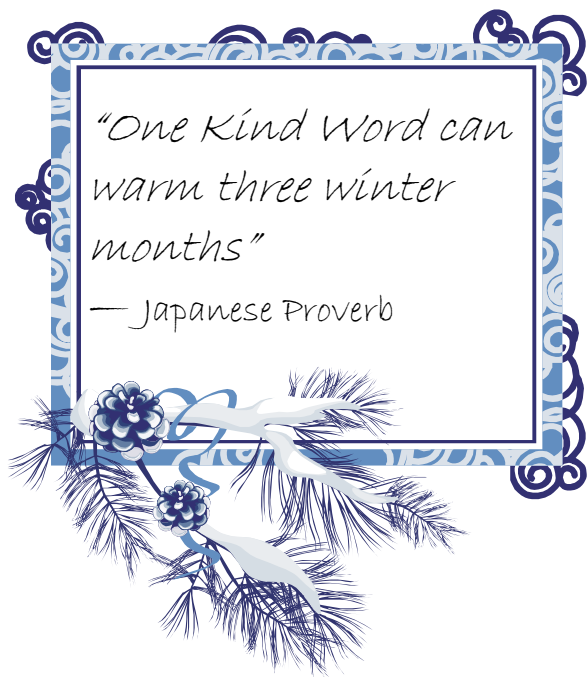
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## ***B-I-N-G-O!!***

**Where:**

New Market Volunteer Fire Dept.

**When:**

Jan 11 (& every Friday night)



Doors open at 5:30 p.m.  
Bingo starts at 6:45 p.m.  
All paper — no smoking!

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